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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. KOBAYASHI et al.
Serial No.: 09/811,444
Filed: March 20, 2001
For: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME
Group: 2826
Examiner: K. Quinto

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
February 14, 2002

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated December 14, 2001, the period of response for which extension is requested by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, applicants hereby elect the Species I, directed to Figs 1 and 2, noting that claims 1-14 and 34-36 read on elected species.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 500.39879X00)

Respectfully submitted,
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